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## ARCHIVES

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## JOB NEWS - FOREST SERVICE

On November 12 the U.S. Forest Service was represented on campus by eight members of the Upper Darby Penn. region, in a question and answer period concerning employment. Attendance was large and predominantly seniors. Richard A. Kennell, a group leader for Resources Management at Upper Darby began with an introduction of the other members present and an explanation of their work and the Upper Darby program. Upper Darby is concerned with U.S. Forest Service, state, and private forestry. This one group is extended over a 20 state range. Among the different fields represented were, Cliff Faulkner as a silviculture specialist, Clyde M. Hunt in genetics and nursery work, Dwayne Green in silviculture and hardwood management and Kenneth F. Lancaster and Burl S. Ashly, both field representatives in Portsmouth, New Hampshire and Carbondale, South Illinois University, respectively. Also Bill Works, in urban forestry and soils, and Phil Archibold, in resources management.

Richard Kennell made it clear at the start of the meeting that "job opportunities were not good" at this time. But he did go on to say why and how to overcome some job-hunting obstacles.

The Forest Service is generally divided into three major categories. The National Forest System (146 units in the U.S.) is potentially the largest employer. Research makes up another segment. State and private organizations are the third branch. Due to federal price ceilings, the federal branch of the Forest Service is doing little or no hiring at this time. Putting a flood of qualified foresters on the market has given state and private groups the ability to select only the "cream of the crop" for employment. Among those fields discussed, nursery work, research, and biological field opportunities are low at this time. Kennell also said that he personally does not see

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## 1973 UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN →

As the College's annual United Way drive moves into its third week, almost 60% of its \$10,500 goal has already been achieved according to Mike McCloskey, Campaign Chairman. "The key to success this year as in the past," McCloskey claims, "is the continued awareness on the part of every member of the College community of just how urgent the need is in our community and how, through the United Way Campaign, we can all demonstrate in a practical, tangible fashion our deep concern for those needs and our firm commitment to their alleviation. If we all help--to whatever extent we are able --the College's 'fair share' response of \$10,500 will be met and exceeded as in the past."

Thirty volunteer solicitors are at work canvassing the College community and include: Bill Sullivan and Bob Westfall, SERM; Gerry Smith, Wood Products Engineering; Ron Frodelius, Engineering; Serge Gorbatshevich, Paper Science and Engineering; Dave Griffin, Botany; Frank Kurczewski, Entomology; Gideon Levin, Chemistry; Bill Webb, Zoology; Sandy Museums and Brad Sears, Landscape Architecture; Jim Coufal, Ranger School; Betty Preston, Business Office; Brian Spear, Security; Betsy Elkins, Library; Chuck Lee, Computer Center; Elaine Radziseski, Educational Communications; Linda Carman, Central Technical Services; Al Miles, Chuck Lowery and Pete Carlin, Maintenance; June

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## XMAS TREES - KΦΔ

Starting on Saturday December 1st, Kappa Phi Delta forestry fraternity will be selling white spruce Christmas trees. Orders are now being taken for trees and pine bundles at very good prices. Call 478-5302 or ext. 3-2470 to order or stop by at 200 Walnut Place to place your order.

## UNITED WAY...

Putt, Student Services; Lorrayne Cowles, Forest Service Unit; Alice Steckiewicz, AFRI; Carlton Dence and Jeff Shaw, ESPRI, and Kathy Lanza, Publications.

## ◆ SOPHOMORES ◆

Attention Sophomores:

Part of my job as one of your class representatives, and indeed the most important part, is to make your feelings an important topic heard in the Student Council. Contrary to popular beliefs, Council has a good deal of power and influence, and I would like to have your help in directing our actions.

I just want to remind you that you do have a voice and we want to hear you. That is what we are here for. If something about the College is bothering you or if there is something you like, let us know.

Your representatives are:

Al Mollitor

James Turner

Doug Chamberlain

Let these people know your feelings via student mail, or better yet, come to a Council meeting in person on Wednesday nights at 7:30. We want to hear what you have to say.

Al Mollitor

## SERE SEMINAR 12-6-73

Dr. Robert V. Jelinek, Dean of the School of Environmental and Resource Engineering of the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry, announces the eighth seminar in a series on Developments in Engineering Aspects of Environmental Concerns and Forest Resource Utilization. The series began in January, 1973 and will continue through the 1973-74 academic year.

Dr. Bengt Leopold, Director of the Empire State Paper Research Institute (ESPRI), will present an outline of the Institute's current research program with special emphasis on its relation to problems of environmental protection and raw materials conservation. The ESPRI research program attacks these problems in two principal ways: 1) by providing information and ideas for improving methods and processes in today's pulp and paper mills, and 2) by developing new or modified processes designed

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## JOBS...

any improvement in these areas by June.

Those jobs and fields that came up for discussion which seem to hold better opportunities for employment were: commercial pilot, forestry related engineering, and private consultants. The southern U.S. region is at this time experiencing a growth in private industry, as related to forestry. Some of the larger companies and the states are working on improving lumber production so there might be opportunities there, private and state. The question was raised as to whether or not Canada has more jobs. They may, but U.S. citizens seeking employment there would have to register with their government. If a job came up, a Canadian, supposedly, would have preference over a U.S. citizen.

Discussion came up as to summer work possibilities. One point brought out here was the western U.S. holds more opportunities in such seasonal work as, fire control, timber cruising, and work crews.

At this point the Upper Darby representatives gave some suggestions to students to help them overcome some job-hunting obstacles. First, if you want a job bad enough, be persistent. Personally meet the employer so that you show him your interest. And sell yourself, in applications and interviews. Don't limit yourself when seeking work. One opportunity may lead to another. Inquire everywhere. Mr. DeNagy has lots of information and addresses and plenty of suggestions. If you need help in compiling a resume, stop into 104 Bray.

Mary LaLonde

The Knothole is the student publication of the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Published every Thursday. Any articles, notices, stories, letters, etc. to be published must be submitted in the Knothole mailbox in the basement of Marshall Hall before noon on Saturday, signed. Names will be withheld upon request. Anyone wishing to join the Knothole staff should contact one of our members. Staff meetings are Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm in the Library Conference Room.

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## MINAR...

reduce or eliminate pollution and to more efficiently use fiber, chemicals, water, and energy. Examples of a number of research projects will be discussed in some detail to indicate how these principles are implemented.

Dr. Leopold has had wide experience in industry, having worked for International Paper Company and Mead Corporation before joining the College faculty in 1961. He received his formal training at the Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden, where he was awarded the doctorate in organic chemistry. Very active in the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, he is currently Vice Chairman of the Research and Development Division and is Editor of the Association's magazine, TAPPI, the principal technical journal of the pulp and paper industry.

The seminar will be held in Room 211 Walters Hall on the campus of the College of Environmental Science and Forestry at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 6. Coffee will precede the seminar. All interested persons are cordially invited to hear Dr. Leopold.

E. A. Anderson

## THE BEAT

Some of us are already beginning to tire of the phrase "energy crisis," but like it or not we do face a dilemma at least in the short run. The United States has built an intricate, industrialized economy based to a large degree on oil. How did all this start, one may wonder. I now take you back some 120 years to the inauspicious beginnings of our oil industry. The following account was taken from the Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture for the Year 1862, the article written by J.P. Lesley, Professor of Mining, University of Pennsylvania.

"The first practical movement in this direction (that of developing oils of the coal region in America) was not made until 1854, Messrs. Eveleth and Bissell of New York, secured the right to the upper spring on Oil Creek, and organized a company. Still, three years passed before Mr. Bowdich and Colonel Drake, of New Haven, began the first Titusville (Pennsylvania) boring, striking the oil stratum at seventy-one

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## SENIORS

A new elective course "Environmental Impact: Principles and Strategies" will be offered this Spring as ERM 429 (it was formerly approved as RM 529 and is listed as such in the current catalogue). We anticipate that a large number of students will want this course, and would like to find out more precisely how many of you will enroll for it. In order to accommodate a large enrollment, we plan a Wednesday evening lecture series, and as many recitation sections as necessary, each of about 2 hours once a week, so that each recitation section will have between ten and fifteen students. The series of lectures is set up: about half will be given by people from outside the College, the remainder by various faculty. To plan the proper number of recitation sections, we need to know if you wish to elect the course. If you are going to elect it, would you kindly fill out the attached form and mail it to or leave it in Room 214 Marshall. If you have any questions concerning the course, please see Dr. Herrington or Dr. Black.

I am planning to enroll in ERM 429 this Spring.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor \_\_\_\_\_  
(name, signature not required)

# LETTERS

To the Editor:

Last week, President Nixon made an attempt to start the nation on an energy conservation drive. Certainly, the student body and administration of this institution have been aware that this crisis has been with us for a long time. We are also aware that those of us who are quite vocal are not ecology fanatics, but ecology realists. The shortages of fuel are very real. Why then is the heat turned up to such high levels in the school buildings? Not only have the thermostats not been turned down, but I have even observed one room in Baker with a temperature of 78 degrees. This institution and all personnel affiliated with it, should set an example for the rest of the population. Let us hope that in the very near future, the thermostats will be turned down to the 65-68 degree level, excess lights will be turned off, and all other means of saving energy, will be instituted at this College.

Peter S. Goldberg

To the Editor:

You are to be congratulated for pointing out to our students in the November 8 issue of the Knothole the shortcomings of sugar as part of the human diet. However, your final advice for students to avoid sugar left me cold; you neglected the most important alternative of all, namely, the use of honey as a substitute. The idea of going through life eating things that aren't sweet does not appeal to me when one can get a sweet, recycled gift to man by the honey bee which contains a wide variety of minerals and vitamins as well as a large component of easily digestible glucose and levulose. Add to this the varied flavor of honey that one obtains, depending on the nectar source, and it can be a most delightful experience which when everything else fails, could really make life worthwhile. Last week my General Entomology 500 class were given a small sample of this food as a reward for being good students and all seemed pleased with its delicacy.

John B. Simeone, Chairman  
Dept. of Forest Entomology

To the Editor:

As everyone has seen by now, the Free Speak Writing Conglomerate apparently got enough money together to once again start publishing. For a while I was really hoping that they couldn't get it together, for my memories of their issues from last year were less than good. Then I remembered that if one didn't take them seriously, which unfortunately they thought they were, the Free Speak "alternate newspaper" was good for more than a few laughs.

It was truly unfortunate that so many of their staff graduated, because by the looks of it, they lost any chance of being half-way decent. Of course, they didn't have that much chance last year, which showed in the idiocy of the majority of the articles.

Some of the things they say in their articles makes me wonder how they got accepted by this college. Two examples follow.

In Bob Nixon's letter which, for one, was pointed against the news editor, he mentioned something about washing good policy under the rug (or something under the rug). I find it hard to see how, or for what reason anything would be washed under the rug. Might it not seep up through? Perhaps he was trying to tie together the quad and the word rug. Just as a rug would be ruined by this manner which he obviously is against, perhaps he was trying to say that he also disapproved of quad walking. (This reasoning of mine is almost as bad as that in the Free Speak.) (One note on quad walking--I made a test, when the quad was dry, to determine how much time was saved by cutting across the quad, and found that the quad was being ruined to save at the very most, TEN LOUSY SECONDS! This is totally sickening.)

The other example of idiocy was an article in which one of the writers stated that once again the Free Speak was joining the media VOID, of all things. I don't happen to think that one exists, but if it does, why JOIN it? Why not correct it, which the Free Speak seems incapable of doing if it did exist.

A word of advice, if you like the Free Speak, go ahead and read it. You others, read it anyway if you want. If you don't take it seriously, it is good for a lot of laughs.

Name withheld

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## ALDEN TOO ☆

...it ever occurred to you that your education at the College of Forestry could be a very philosophical, religious, and loving experience? If you look at it the way I do, it has.

This idea is based on the same principles Thoreau used when he wrote Walden. What Walden boiled down to was that a closer association with nature will bring on a better understanding of nature. This understanding of nature is really an understanding of God, because nature is Truth and Truth is God. Walden, for those of you who have not read it, also included the concept of freedom, but that shall not be included in this discussion.

You can carry the idea involved in Walden one step further by adding to it the belief of some prominent modern religions, "God is Love."

My use of the word "nature" may throw you off, because I am not necessarily talking about the Forestry courses you take that deal with trees and wildlife. I am talking of the science courses you are taking, because science is the study of nature. Therefore, nature in this sense includes physics, biology, chemistry, astronomy, math or any science relating to these, such as psychology or mechanics. What I'm trying to say is that the study of science leads to a better understanding of God and of Love.

So the next time you're frustrated while studying for a test, or the next time you consider dropping out of college to become a hermit, remember that the campus itself is a semblance of Walden Pond.

The Naked Stumpy

### Another Article in a Continuing

#### Series of Put-downs

Recently while consulting the "Syracuse New Times" for television movies playing over the weekend, something that had been bothering me for three years came into sharp focus. Of all things, the catalyst for this revelation was a three word review of the movie, "Airport." It read thus:

"overblown, unimaginative, soap-opera"

Upon reading this, I threw the paper to the floor in utter disbelief. I could not imagine how anyone could attach such a decisive-

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## BEAT...

feet depth in August, 1858. The drill sank suddenly into a cavity, and the oil rose within five inches of the surface, and was pumped off at the rate of, first 400 and afterwards 1000 gallons per day. The news spread. The wildest speculation soon raged. Every acre of land in the valley, and part way up the steep hill-sides, for ten miles south of the boring, as far as to the junction of Oil Creek with the Alleghany River, was bought up by eager contestants for a fortune sure to be realized in a few months. The once quiet, beautiful valley became a noisy den, a hideous desert. Derricks, scaffolds, and pumping gear took the places occupied by the tall forest trees or blooming orchards. Groups of warehouses, barrel factories, boarding houses, and whole villages replaced each solitary farmhouse. The stream was dammed and sluiced for artificial floods, harbors were excavated in the lowest places, and the rest of the intervals became a stinking bog of mud and salt mingled with oil. Not a blade of grass was to be seen..."

Quite a dismal picture comes to mind from this graphic description. It's a terrible indictment to the American people that for so long we've desecrated our land with no thoughts to the consequences of the future. It's hard to imagine Messrs. Eveleth and Bissell or Colonel Drake having to prepare an environmental impact statement!

Roland R. Vosburgh

## WORK-STUDY AT W'BURG WAS:

Volleyball every night.

Cruising along in the Bomb and falling out. Where'd you get the truck stuck this time?

Red squirrels and ants in the Lodge

The boss--Mr. Shelly W. Potter, Jr.

And Brandy

Sir Mr. Ross Sir, Bud, Bill, Dave, Ken and Howard

Feebles painting signs and more signs

Felling trees across roads, on trucks, etc.

Quitting work early--never.

Garbage run to the Hudson.

Throwing pulp and fixing roads.

Spreading urea--all over

Albany guys jumping off the IGA

Clearcutting the virgin pines with the dump truck

Wanting to be a good forester like Shelley and poison hardwood.

# POETRY CORNER

This school has an impressive past  
And colorful tradition  
I know I know  
And I know too that a long time ago  
Before I came  
Before I was even born  
Everything I'll do today  
Was carefully arranged  
But what of change? What of change?  
As great as food to eat and air to breathe  
Is the need for change

And what of talk? What of talk?  
And need for communication  
Of getting together and drinking  
And what of thought and thinking

Clouds pile up and snow starts to fall  
So heavy you can't find the sky  
If you listen very quietly  
I'm sure you will hear  
Out there in the cold air  
Rock begins to cry

You can't break an ego  
The size of a castle wall  
You can't change the dark time light  
You can't change nothin at all  
Rocks afraid you won't look up to something  
you can't see  
There will never be changin here  
There will never be changin here

Dr. Joe and Dr. Blow  
Sleep through the seminar  
Waking just in time to blow the speakers  
mind  
Asking answerless questions  
Talking in riddles and rhymes  
Doctor Joe and Doctor Blow  
Want to be diefied  
The Brothers God?  
How can that be  
What can't mortals see  
That they can  
I do not understand  
And I weary of trying  
What does it matter

## Editorial Policy:

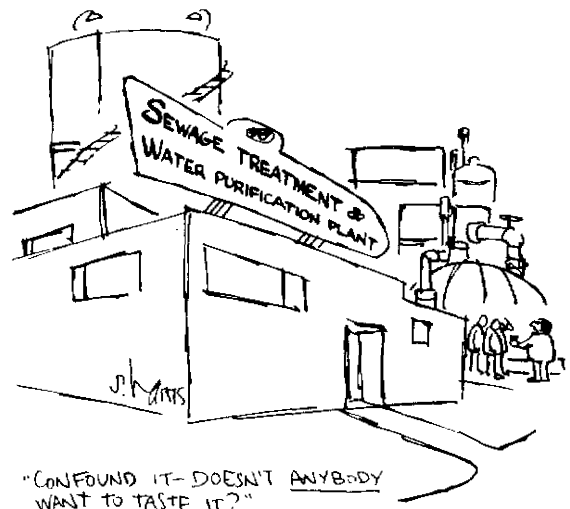
The Knothole appreciates any articles,  
short stories, poems, letters, etc. which  
anyone might be inclined to submit. However,  
all such literature must be signed. Name  
will be withheld on request of author.

What does it matter  
Its like stealing the glass shoed prince  
from the kings ball  
You're not supposed to be there  
There was no invitation for you  
Your only defense when you get caught  
Is what does it matter

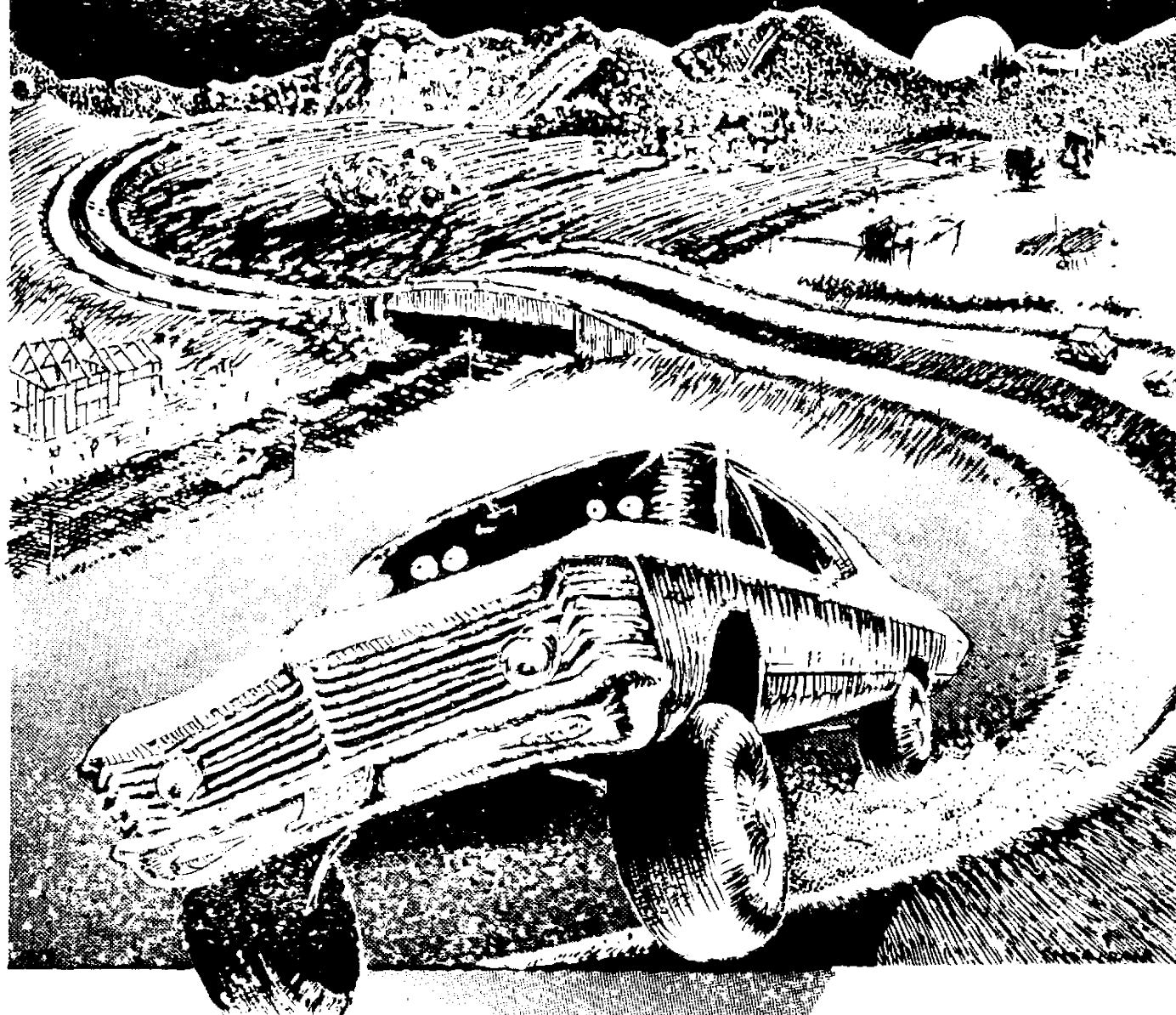
Pack up your memories in an empty coffee  
can  
Throw your notes to the waiting wind  
They were written before you came  
Tell the chairman you're going home  
To try and get something done  
Tell the faculty you came half way and still  
you return alone  
Education's a fine thing to have  
But you shouldn't have to trade your soul  
For a meager taste of understanding  
Or something someone stole

And I was one with a master thief  
Who lived on a stack of books  
Crammin his short life away  
Before the next days trial  
And he was unkind to me  
When I was growing young  
I only came to talk with him  
And learn with him awhile

Fallen snow is deep now  
Rock has sunken into its sea  
The students milling on the grounds  
All wonder where the rock could be  
It was always in this very spot before  
The slotted windows of the mighty fortress  
Stole the evening gloom there for the taking  
And sucked it in and sucked it in  
And blew it out when day was breaking  
To form a crown of mist above its mighty head  
But rock is dead now  
Rock is dead



# SEE THE U.S.A. IN YOUR CHEVROLET...



## BUT BE CAREFUL ON THE TURNS.

If you drive a 1965 to 69 full-size Chevrolet or Nova V-8, or a 67 to 69 Camaro V-8, you're in serious danger.

Those cars were built with faulty engine mounts.

If one breaks and the engine shifts, it can jam your accelerator wide open and knock out your power brakes at the same time.

The greatest dangers are fast starts and turns.

Several thousand accidents and injuries have been reported,

and ~~some~~ deaths have been alleged.

General Motors has announced they won't give you new engine mounts. But they have agreed to install a free safety cable that'll hold the engine in place.

That way if a mount goes, you won't.

If you're driving one of these cars, get it to a Chevrolet service department...slowly.

Prepared by The Stern Concern

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Center for Auto Safety  
Washington, D.C. 20044



# CALENDAR

The ES&F Calendar of Events is a service of The Knothole intended to list all faculty and College related events for the week in one place. If your organization is having a meeting, speaker, movies, special event or whatever that you want publicized, contact the Knothole by student mail.

\*Thursday, December 6\*

3:30 pm, SERE seminar. Dr. Bengt Leopold, Director of ESPRI, will speak. Room 211, Walters Hall

4 pm, SU Biology seminar. Maren Brown will speak on "Modulation of RNA synthesis by an insect Hormone" 117 Lyman.

A bather whose clothing was strewed  
By the winds that left her quite nude  
Saw a man come along  
And unless we are wrong  
You expected this line to be lewd.

(Reprinted from the Knothole 4/21/50)

## PUT-DOWN...

ly degrading description to that movie. Reflecting upon articles printed in other student-style newspapers, I realized the connection between this insignificant commentary and the general policy of many of these papers.

I find the papers distributed here on campus to be strikingly similar to those distributed at the school from which I transferred this fall. That is to say similar in their self-righteous, narrow-minded approach to reporting and editorializing. At institutions of higher learning, some of the important goals of educators should be to instill a broadening of one's perception of their environment and an appreciation of the fact that there is more than one side to all stories. The presence of periodicals such as those described here can only hinder these efforts.

And "Airport" was not a "soap-opera!!"  
Ray Miller

## PUZZLE

### ANSWER TO PUZZLE

In order to fill a hundred seat theater for exactly one dollar (as challenged in the last issue of the Knothole) you must have these numbers:

70 children	= 7¢
19 ladies	= 38¢
11 men	= 55¢
100 people	\$1.00

## MOOSEWOOD'S

### NOTEBOOK VOL. 6 NO. 2

To save energy, the allowable temperature in our offices and classrooms are being discussed. Once upon a time, I had an office in Bray Hall. The old thermostats were "variable." First, it was too hot, then after a while the radiator valve shut down, and the room cooled off 12 degrees or more before the heat came on again. It was always too hot or too cold! The building superintendent, an irascible old guy who had a low opinion of college professors, came around occasionally to check the setting on the thermostats. This could presumably be done only with his key, but I discovered that a partly straightened paper clip was an excellent "jimny," and I often adjusted the thermostat this way. Whenever he came in and found the setting had been changed, he'd explode about "g-d college professors." I used to leave my paper clip on top of the thermostat. Once in a while it disappeared. I assumed it must have been brushed off and swept up, so I just fixed up another one. The day after Christmas, I opened my office door and there hanging on the thermostat was a long "chain" of partly straightened paper clips with a red bow ribbon at the top and a little gift card reading "Merry Christmas from Mr. Francis."

